

Fair Monday
and Warmer.

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SHERMAN FAILS TO GET LORIMER TO RESIGN SEAT

Vice President Returns
From His Fruitless Trip
to Chicago.

VALUABLE SUPPORT LOST TO BLOND BOSS

Senators Root and Lodge Cannot
Be Induced to Come to Aid
of Illinois Man.

Vice President Sherman, smiling but still mysterious, returned to Washington at 10:25 this morning from his hurried trip to Chicago.

The Vice President will neither affirm nor deny that he went to Chicago for the purpose of urging Senator William Lorimer of Illinois to resign from the Senate and get out of the track of the vote which cannot be held back and which will crush his hopes of retaining his seat.

But in spite of the mystery of the mission of the Vice President, and in spite of the refusal of every one concerned in Chicago to admit the object of the Vice President's trip evidence accumulates that Lorimer is doomed to go, and that the Vice President, as an old friend, was in Chicago to smooth the way for his exit from Senatorial circles.

The end of the long-fought battle in the Senate over Lorimer, charged with having secured his seat as the result of bribery, is in sight. Senator Lorimer will be ousted from the Senate by the votes of a majority of his colleagues.

Fighting Against Odds.
The situation of the Illinois Senator and political boss is desperate. He is fighting a forlorn hope and at the same time is in a serious condition of health. Moreover, the struggle to retain his seat is costing him heavily and has already consumed a small fortune.

Two Senators of prominence are said to be responsible for the fact the Lorimer forces are in despair and for the hurried and mysterious trip of Mr. and Mrs. Sherman last Friday afternoon. While it is denied by the friends of Lorimer and not admitted by the Vice President or his friends that he went to Chicago to tell Lorimer his case was hopeless, circumstantial evidence points in this direction.

It is asserted that Vice President Sherman hurried to Chicago after it was found to a certainty that neither Senator Root nor Senator Lodge could be induced to line up for the Illinois Senator. Efforts were made to get them to support the new question was res adjudicated. It appears that several other Senators were ready to follow their lead in the matter and go over to Lorimer if they did.

But the Lorimer contingent in the Senate was appalled not only that Root and Lodge would not shift their position, but that Senator Root would deliver an argument to the effect the case was not res adjudicated.

Under such circumstances, the hurried trip of Vice President Sherman was undertaken. Before going, he saw Senator Penrose and some of the other friends of Lorimer, and while it is believed he went to add his influence to the task of getting Lorimer to quit, this is not verified.

The smashing defeat of Lorimer and his co-called League in Illinois, has had the effect of weakening his strength in the Senate.

Among "Stay-at-Homes."
Another fact in the situation, ominous to Senators who have been supporting him, is this, that one Senator after another who has supported Lorimer in his fight has been moved down relentlessly by the force of an aroused and indignant public opinion.

Under such circumstances, it is natural that Senators should be anxious to get Lorimer to quit.

Lorimer Not to Quit Says a Close Adviser

CHICAGO, May 26.—The Inter-Ocean today says:

"Senator Lorimer will not resign from the U. S. Senate," said one of the Senator's close advisers, when asked as to the report that Sherman was in Chicago to urge Lorimer to resign.

"Senator Lorimer intends that the Senate as a body shall pass upon his right to his seat," continued the friend.

"Mr. Lorimer is innocent and believes the issue should be squarely met, and that neither for political nor any other reason should he compromise his cause. He has been tried and vindicated by the Senate. Against all precedent he has been put on trial a second time and again vindicated by the investigating committee. He will not quit now."

WEATHER REPORT.

FORECAST FOR THE DISTRICT.
Fair tonight; Monday fair and warmer; light, variable winds.

TEMPERATURES.

U. S. BUREAU. APPLECK'S.

8 a. m. 64 8 a. m. 70

9 a. m. 66 9 a. m. 72

10 a. m. 68 10 a. m. 74

11 a. m. 69 11 a. m. 75

12 noon 71 12 noon 77

1 p. m. 72 1 p. m. 78

2 p. m. 73 2 p. m. 79

Inventor Is Dying



WILBUR WRIGHT.

WRIGHT'S STRENGTH IS EBBING; CHANCES AGAINST RECOVERY

But Inventor in Lucid Interval
Whispers He Believes
He'll Win the Fight.

TOLEDO, Ohio, May 26.—Wilbur Wright awoke to consciousness this morning after lying all night in the delirious stupor of fever.

He whispered to his brother Orville that he knew chances were against him, but he believed he'll pull through, though, he said.

The famous co-inventor and manufacturer of the aeroplane has been for twenty-three days at the very door of death from typhoid fever.

Dayton and Cincinnati specialists have been in constant attendance and with a corps of trained nurses, have done all in the power of science to save the patient. But despite all their attentions his temperature remains dangerously high and his vitality is evidently waning.

Today the patient's temperature was between 104 and 106. His condition manifested great weakness.

APPEAL FOR FUNDS BRINGS CORRECTION

Explained That Heretofore Private Subscription Papers Sufficed for G. A. R.

A statement was issued this morning by the Department of the Potomac, Grand Army of the Republic, relative to a misunderstanding of the appeal for funds for Memorial Day observance this year.

The appeal given out by the Department of the Potomac officers a few days ago said that this was the first time the veterans had ever made a public appeal for help in carrying out the annual decorating of graves. This meant, it is now stated, a widespread public appeal made public in the newspapers. For years past subscription papers have been circulated in the city and money been given in this way.

Some who have thus subscribed in past years thought this subscription paper passing in the nature of a public appeal and wondered at the official statement that this year's is the first.

A meeting of all committees was held at G. A. R. Headquarters last evening and progress reported on plans for Memorial Day observance. All the committees assigned to the various camps of the city reported their plans complete and the chairman of the finance committee, Dr. J. K. Gleason, said that the public was responding generously to the request for aid.

METHODISTS TO END CONFERENCE TODAY

Newly Elected Bishops Will Be
Consecrated at Minneapolis
This Afternoon.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., May 26.—The culminating religious service of the Methodist General Conference will be held today at 3 o'clock in the auditorium when the eight bishops and the two missionary bishops elected will be consecrated. This service will rank as a general conference session.

Ticket holders and delegates only will be admitted at the side entrance from 2:30 to 3 o'clock. At 3 o'clock the front doors will be opened for the public, as many as the hall will accommodate. No one will be allowed to stand and only the bishops will be allowed on the platform.

Much of the program will be ritualistic and many of the bishops will have a part in it.

SERVICES HELD IN HONOR OF WAR VETERANS

Catholics and Protestants
Pay Tribute to Dead
Soldiers.

SUNSHINE CHURCH ILLUSTRATES SONG

"Battle Hymn of Republic" Is the
Subject of Moving
Pictures.

Approach of Memorial Day caused a number of special services to be held in the churches of Washington today. The official church memorial service of the Department of the Potomac, G. A. R., will be held at 7:30 this evening at the Hamline M. E. Church, the Rev. J. M. M. Gray preaching. This morning special services were held at St. Joseph's Catholic Church, at the McKendree Memorial M. E. Church, and at the Sunshine City Temple.

At St. Joseph's this morning, the sermon was preached by the Rev. John J. Clifford, of Los Angeles, who denounced the Guardians of Liberty in the course of his address, saying that such men as those who had formed this organization "completely miss the spirit, meaning, and lesson of Memorial Day."

Glorious Achievements.
The service at St. Joseph's was a mass for the repose of the souls of the dead civil war veterans and was conducted under the auspices of Lincoln Camp, No. 2, Sons of Veterans. Members of the camp, headed by J. W. Lyons and George A. How, commander and junior vice commander, respectively, sat in the forefront of the nave, the camp's colors standing in the aisle. The mass was celebrated by the Rev. Valentine Schmitt, pastor of the church, and himself a civil war veteran.

"We are assembled here," said the Rev. Father Clifford, "to pay a tribute of respect to the memory of those who died for their country, in order to bring to it the peace of God. Thursday next will see this nation observing Memorial Day, which has been with us now for close on to fifty years. Other Memorial Days have been full of bitter memories, of the sense of loss, of personal losses sustained. But as the years recede that sense of loss becomes merged in a feeling of joy and triumph for we call to mind more and more the glorious achievements which those losses brought about."

More than 200 veteran wearers of the blue with their wives and sons, besides a large congregation, were present at the memorial services at the McKendree Memorial Church.

They were members of the Burnside Post, G. A. R.; the Cushing Camp, Sons of Veterans; the Burnside Post Woman's Relief Corps; and the Department of the Potomac Woman's Relief Corps. The entire church was beautifully decorated with the Stars and Stripes, and with ferns and potted plants.

The principal address of the morning was made by the pastor of the McKendree Church, the Rev. L. Morgan Chambers. The Rev. Mr. Chambers, speaking for his text the fifth verse of the first chapter of the Book of Joshua: "There shall not any man be able to stand before thee all the days of thy life; as I was with Moses, so I will be with thee."

"The Lord's words spoken here to that mighty warrior of old, Joshua, have had many modern exemplifications," said the Rev. Mr. Chambers, speaking to the veterans. "Throughout your careers you have seen many triumphs of right over wrong, and have been convinced more than once that the Lord still lives in righteousness."

Special Music.
Special music was furnished by the full choir of the McKendree Church. B. Leslie Vipond was director of music, and Harry J. Jeffries organist.

The Apostle's Creed and the morning prayer were by the Rev. J. D. Bloodgood. Solos were by E. Albert Lang, of Cushing Camp, and by Mrs. Eleanor S. Scott.

There have been twenty-eight comrades in the Burnside Post since the last memorial service.

The Sunshine City Temple was crowded at the special services in commemoration of Memorial Day. More than 100 old Union soldiers, who fought in the civil war, heard an inspiring sermon by the Rev. Zed H. Copp, who took (Continued on Second Page.)

RUSH 2,600 MARINES FOR SERVICE IN CUBA



REAR ADMIRAL HUGO H. OSTERHAUS,
Commander-in-Chief.

Two Divisions of Atlantic Fleet Mobilized at New York Awaiting Word to Weigh Anchor.

BIG FORCE LANDS TODAY FROM TRANSPORT PRAIRIE

The Atlantic coast is a scene of activity today from Narragansett bay to Hampton Roads.

The third and fourth divisions of the Atlantic fleet are preparing to get under way for Key West.

The second division, in Narragansett bay, will proceed to Hampton Roads and to meet the German fleet which will be in Chesapeake bay waters early in June.

Word was received at the Navy Department this morning that the Lebanon, carrying marines, got under way at 8 o'clock this morning at Philadelphia for Key West.

The Washington cleared New York at 10 o'clock for Hampton Roads. The Nebraska, which was reached by wireless last night on her way from New Orleans to Hampton Roads, has been directed to proceed to Key West and was expected to arrive there at noon today. The Nebraska will remain at Key West until the other vessels reach there. She will not take on marines at Key West.

WILL LAND BIG MARINE FORCE.

The fleet, which will be at Key West in which four Americans were reported to have been seriously wounded and thirty insurgents killed. Confidence is expressed that news would have been received had the engagement occurred.

Assistant Secretary of State Huntington Wilson received telegrams this morning comprehensively describing the situation in the affected district, and found no further cause for alarm.

These telegrams state that foreign residents are flocking into Santiago and Cienfuegos. There have been frequent engagements in the last twenty-four hours between the loyal troops and the rebels, but in only one of these was a fatality reported. In a little affray near Cienfuegos one black was killed.

Plans Carefully Laid.
The War Department was quiet today. Plans for campaigning in Cuba have been carefully worked out since the American troops left the islands after the Spanish-American war. The troops in this country can be readily moved to ports and a mobilization for a Cuban campaign could be effected in a (Continued on Fourth Page.)

BITTER FIGHT TO RAGE IN CHICAGO OVER CONTESTS

McKinley's Statement Shows
He Plans to Gobble Disputed Delegates.

COLONEL ROOSEVELT PLANS TO RESIST

Democratic Situation Muddled,
With Gradual Leaning Toward Bryan.

By JUDSON C. WELLIVER.

That it is going to be a finish fight for domination of the Chicago convention, with gloves shed from the start, was the conclusion to which even the most conservative politicians opened their eyes after they had studied, this morning, the declarations of Roosevelt and Taft in New Jersey, and the amazing statement of Manager McKinley's claims of Taft strength as given out yesterday.

The President told his New Jersey audiences that he had over 170 delegates, or thirty more than enough to nominate. His manager gave out a list of them, containing every contesting or contested delegate who is accounted for Taft.

He claims that the national committee will decide all contests in favor of Taft; which is tantamount to a sweeping claim that the national committee is going to be a mere chattel of the Taft management.

Can't Conceal It.
That the committee will take this position is believed by all the politicians to be utterly impossible. The Taft forces have claimed thirty-three votes in it, and conceded only seventeen to Roosevelt; but that claim was set down as campaign buncombe until the definite declaration was made that every contest, without consideration of merit, would be decided for Taft.

Colonel Roosevelt lost no time retorting sharply to this amazing allegation. He demanded to know if national committees, whose own State have overwhelmingly repudiated them—like Penrose in Pennsylvania and Vorys in Ohio—are to make up a roll of delegates, that shall unseat delegates the people have chosen, turn the majority from the people's side to that of the bosses, and open the way for the candidate of the bosses to be nominated.

On this, there will be no compromise, Colonel Roosevelt declared. Whatever construction is liked may be put on that first declaration.

Possibilities of a riot and a split in the Chicago convention were brought into plain sight by the declaration of the Taft forces that they expect to use the national committee, under the domination of the Penrose-Vorys-Mulvane-Crane element, to seat delegates enough to give them control.

Never before in the history of the party has there been such a critical situation, for never before has there been such frank and detailed announcement of purpose to rule or ruin.

Vorys Repudiated.
Vorys is national committeeman from Ohio. He was elected four years ago. The State has repudiated him and his faction; the new delegation stands 40 to 8 for Roosevelt, which means 40 to 8 against Vorys and his program of grabbing control of the convention. Yet Vorys will be national committeeman just long enough to sit in the sessions that will make up the temporary roll of the convention.

The same is true of Sen. Penrose, and a lot of other delegates. The new and progressive delegations will elect new national committeemen immediately after the retiring ones have done the business on which the Taft forces rely to retain their place on the national committee.

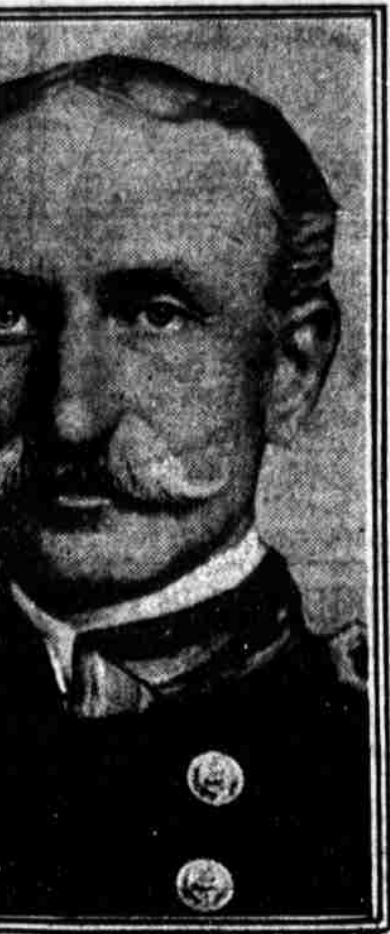
Will they be permitted to do it? There is intimation of the program of "recall" national committeemen. That means that the delegation, say from Pennsylvania, would get together, and, observing that the present—though repudiated—national committeeman was determined to use his vote and influence to defeat the very purposes of the new delegation and of the legitimate majority of the national convention, would meet, adopt a resolution declaring Pennsylvania's place on the national committee vacant, and proceed to elect a new man, in sympathy with the delegation and its purposes.

The same thing would be done in other States, whose retiring committeemen similarly misrepresented their sentiments.

The Taft forces, of course, insist that this cannot be done. That it will be tried, if not at once, in order to protect the integrity of the convention's membership is not at all improbable. Colonel Roosevelt indicated as much very directly in his closing speeches in New Jersey yesterday.

This extreme action would be met with extreme action, and the outcome no man can today conjecture.

To Stick for Root.
Meanwhile the committee on arrangements for the convention has announced, through Chairman New, that it intends to stick for Root for temporary chairman. The Roosevelt people have intimated that they will not accept him; and other men, including Senator Clapp, Senator Bristow, and various leaders on the progressive side, have been discussed as candidates against Root. If there is not an adjustment in advance, on which both sides can agree, (Continued on Second Page.)



REAR ADMIRAL B. A. FISKE,
Commanding Third Division.



CAPT. SPENCER S. WOOD,
Of Battleship Nebraska.

ARREST OF GIRLS DUE TO BRIGHT COLORED JACKET

Mrs. Moy and May Hayes,
Recognized by Detective,
Are Again Prisoners.

One of those bright red jackets, which Dame Fashion has decreed as stylish for this spring season was espyed by Detective Cornell on the outskirts of a small woods near Alexandria this morning and subsequently led to the capture of Mrs. Lulu Moy and May Hayes, the two eighteen-year-old girls who escaped from the House of Detention Friday night.

Cornell was riding to Alexandria on the electric line when he saw the red coat worn by one of the fugitives in the foliage of the trees. He couldn't get off the train because it wouldn't stop for him. The detective rode on to Alexandria. He had arrested the girls the day before their escape from the House of Detention and recognized the red coat one wore.

Accompanied by several members of the Alexandria police force the Washington sleuth made his way back to the woods. The girl with the red coat came forward. It was Mrs. Moy.

"Sorry we put you to so much trouble but that House of Detention is so easy to leave," said the girl as she reached out and shook Cornell's hand. The two girls were brought back to Washington Police Headquarters.

The girls declare they had been living as "lady tramps" since their escape and intended to make their way South as "women hoboes." They seemed little perturbed by their arrest. Both will be arraigned in Police Court tomorrow morning, charged with stealing a watch from Roger M. Blue, an arrested for Frank P. Bennett & Co., incorporated, and pawing it for \$14.

**Lightning Kills One
And Shocks Another**

TOLEDO, Ohio, May 26.—John Berner, forty-eight years old, an employee on one of the farms of the Bawndale stock raisers, was killed by lightning in a storm that passed over this place at 6 o'clock this morning. He was taking the cattle to pasture, accompanied by his son. The shock that killed the father ripped the rim off the son's straw hat, but otherwise did not harm him.

BEGIN IT TUESDAY

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